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The American press for months has filled its pages with stories of our President's efforts for a just and permanent peace in the world. Premiers, presidents, cabinet members have exchanged visits and ideas pointing to a "summit meeting" for peace in our time.

But what is peace? Does it mean merely that men shall stop killing each other? A cold war can be almost as bad as a shooting war. It is not peace. What, then, is peace? Peace starts with understanding. An impossible ideal, you say?

It is not an impossible goal if we remember the words spoken by the Founder of Christianity: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." This is the heart of the peace which mankind must have or perish. This is the goal to which fear-ridden humanity must make its way.

To reach the goal humanity must map its plans. It is true, of course, that the details will be sketched by our statesmen. It is also true that in carrying out these plans there will be many weary nights and days of anxiety and of misunderstanding. It is true that there will be those who can and will throw obstacles in the way - even flaunt military power in an effort to dictate a peace.

The President of the United States and the leaders of the western nations are truly united in a single will and conviction: that not a thing shall be left undone, not a method left untried, not a road unexplored, that a peaceful solution may be found for our problems.

If the western nations find their own agreement first in everything; then perhaps the other nations may come out for freedom instead of slavery, concord instead of strife, prosperity instead of abject destitution.

The object lesson set by the western nations will be an all-powerful one if they restate even the simplest truth of religion: that there is a God in heaven, that every man is a child of God, and therefore all men are brothers.

George A. Rosso

OUR COVER: The foyer of the Navy Chapel, Washington, D.C., is a favorite background for photographs such as this. In this traditional Navy wedding, the bride and groom are in a frame of arched swords, and the bridesmaids' gowns and flowers add a touch of festivity.

COMMUNISM AND THE NAVY CHAPLAIN

by Chaplain E. Richard Barnes

As spiritual leaders, we in the Chaplaincy have a primary obligation first to be; and after that, to do. In the Winter Issue of the Navy Chaplains' Bulletin, 1959-60, we are challenged in the Chief of Chaplains column, to pay the price for the quality of spirit necessary to be spiritual leaders.

In his column of the Summer Issue, 1959, Chaplain Rosso presents the basic "doing" needed in our world today. He writes, "We have the task of bringing God back into His world. Communism moves into spots from which God has been rejected. Communism fills the vacuums that are created by the absence of God. Our salvation, and the salvation of mankind is a very simple one -- to refill the world with the living presence of the God who loves us." However, to be able to do that, we have to be dedicated, obedient, recipients, custodians; channels through which God can work.

Chaplain Rosso goes on to say, "Although a position of spiritual leadership may be coveted by many, few are willing to pay the price. Real spiritual leadership is not obtained easily. It requires work, study, thought and prayer." As spiritual leaders of our day, we should be in the very forefront, prophetically awakening America from apathy, lethargy, indifference to the Communist threat, and calling America back from irresponsibility and selfishness. To do that, we must be informed, thoroughly informed. It requires hard work, study and more study; and a new all-out "go for broke" dedication. We ourselves as spiritual leaders, must have acquired some of this selfishness and apathy - how else can you explain our quiet voices, our lack of perception, and our failure to lead and awaken the people in an era of catastrophic disaster.

Warning Sounded

There have been many who have sounded the warning. Arnold Toynbee, Reinhold Niebuhr, Christopher Dawson, Barbara Ward, Maurice Samuel, William C. Bullitt, J. Edgar Hoover, Harry and Bonaro Overstreet, Edward Hunter, Whittaker Chambers, Robert Morris, James Burnham, Reverend Leslie Millin, Father C. S. Dunker, Dr. Fred Schwarz, Stephen T. Possony, Harry Welton, and innumerable others.

Christopher Dawson, the great historian-philosopher, says, "the recovery of moral control and the return to spiritual order have now become the indispensable conditioners of human survival."

Dr. and Mrs. Overstreet in their recent book entitled "What We Must Know About Communism" wrote, We have written this book because we had to. There comes a point where the world's peril turns into every individual's responsibility."

Robert Morris in the preface to his book No Wonder We Are Losing says, "Time is running out on us. The Nation still is not awake to the lateness of the hour, or to the proximity of the peril."

A Night To Remember tells of the five iceberg warnings sent by wireless to the Titanic. When the sixth message, "Look out for icebergs," came in, the Titanic's operator wired back: "Shut up, I'm busy." Just 35 minutes later, the ship, whose captain had said, "God Himself could not sink her," was sinking.

Most persons who are informed on Communism think our country is now in greater danger than was the Titanic. The thesis of J. Edgar Hoover's new book, Masters Of Deceit, is Communism the major menace of our time. Today, it threatens the very existence of our Western civilization." Back in 1937, Pope Pius XI in his Encyclical letter asked a searching question about Communism: How is it possible that such a system, long since rejected scientifically and now proved erroneous by experience, how is it, we ask, that such a system could spread so rapidly in all parts of the world?" He answered his own question in these words: "The explanation lies in the fact that too few have been able to grasp the nature of Communism."

He went on to say, "There is another explanation for the rapid diffusion of the Communistic ideas now seeping into every nation, great and small, advanced and backward, so that no corner of the earth is free from them. This explanation is to be found in a propaganda so truly diabolical that the world has perhaps never witnessed its like before.

The Reverend Leslie Millin, 20 years a missionary to China, the last two years being a prisoner in the hands of Chinese Communists, tortured and brainwashed to the point of death, says, "We are dealing with something that defies every naturalistic approach. Communism is a vicious spiritual attack of Demonic Force."

An Attack on God

Here, it seems to me, is the secret to understanding, evaluating, interpreting and counter-attacking Communism. The more you study, the more you observe, the more eye-witness testimonies you hear, the stronger becomes the conviction that here you have in this monstrous evil, a demonic, satanic conspiracy. You become aware that Communism is the distillation, the quintessence, the focusing, of all the evil knowledge, tactics, and motivations of all the centuries. Basically, it is Rejection Defiance, Attack. Rejection and defiance of, and attack against Almighty God, Himself, and against mankind, and against God's plan for mankind. It is a projection of the same spirit and conflict revealed in the stories of Lucifer, Adam and Eve, the temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness, and all the defiance and rebellion against God in all history. Further study of the Mind and purpose of Communism, will reveal how well they have studied the total field, including the Judo-Christian Revelation of the nature of man and God's plan for man.

Membership in the Communist Party has two basic conditions. First, Renunciation - Complete, irrevocable, absolute renunciation. Second, Dedication - Complete,

irrevocable, absolute dedication to the Party. No wonder Communism is sometimes called a "religion."

Notice also, two other basic facets. Communism once and for all rejects God's method of compassionate seeking, pursuing, wooing, loving, persuading. Behind all that Communism is and does (often veiled) but always there, is the ruthless, cold, brutal, barbaric, mailed fist - total coercive, force. Those members of humanity who have been exposed to unrestrained communist activity know beyond the shadow of doubt the meaning of "The Red Terror."

Secondly, and this really reveals its satanic origin and operation, Communism moves over into the area of the integrity, sacredness, inviolability of personality; to coerce, remold, reform, the very fabric of the human soul, by assaulting and making pliable the volition, the will, the power of free-choice; God Himself holds sacred the portal of free-choice. Man could not remain in the image of God, he could not be a son of God if volition were to be destroyed. Exactly says Communism; man is an animal, bring on the Pavlovian technique. We shall "Wash-the-brain" of this animal, homo-sapiens! Zinonieff, the Communist said, "We shall grapple with the Lord God. In due time, we shall vanquish Him from the highest heaven and where He seeks refuge, we shall subdue Him forever."

Communism thus armed with the accumulated evil cunning, and knowledge of all time, and now, also armed with the shinning tools of modern science, has brought the human race to a unique moment in the age-old conflict between slavery and freedom. Unique, first because of the satanic nature and drive of Communism. Unique also, because the communists are armed with the terrifyingly powerful weapons of Twentieth Century Science. These weapons make this, for the first time a truly Survival conflict. In other days, if freedom lost, it was not the end. Freedom fighters could retire to the caves, the hills, the forests, to regroup, rearm, and return to fight once again. But today, if freedom loses, and thereby loses the scientific laboratory and industrial processing complex, capable of producing these tools, freedom has lost for good. These tools make out of the single warrior a mighty giant. They multiply his powers almost infinitely. With the radar, he can see through the night and storm; with the radio, he can listen around the world; with the jet-plane, he can "run" faster than sound; and with the nuclear weapon, his ancient sword-arm has the power of a lightning bolt or a volcano.

JACOB

saw in a vision angels ascending and descending on a ladder from heaven—symbolic of God's blessing descending on us and our good works arising heavenwards for acceptance. "A good man obtains favor from the Lord but a man of evil devices he condemns."

A New Time-Table

Since achieving nuclear and missile power, it is apparent that Communism has moved into a new phase and advanced time-table for conquest. During this nuclear-stalemate-period, they have a simple formula for achievint their final goal, namely; Encirclement - plus - Demoralization - equals - Surrender!

Since they are sure that our allies in the Free World will have been overcome in the last phase of our encirclement, and by then, demoralization of the American population will have advanced to the state of overwhelming confusion, secularization, moral bankruptcy, fear, and lack of courage to resist, they are confident that in that day of their ultimatum, we will surrender.

Of course, surrender is all they want from us, as Admiral Arleigh A. Burke has so ably presented in his address "Our Challenge." From the prestige of real military force, they simply hold over the world "the threat of force," while they continue their program of encirclement and demoralization. With their powerful land, sea, and air capabilities held in threat over the world, and under the guise of "Peaceful - Coexistence," they have the time and opportunity to employ their thoroughly prepared and skillfully manipulated fourth-dimensional assault on the mind and soul of humanity and the nation-states still able to resist. Actually, Communism has never permitted the Free World but one of two basic choices. Capitulate - or Defend yourself. Capitulation Piece-meal, capitulation at the conference table, capitulation by treaty concessions, capitulate gradually, capitulate in the name of peace, capitulate painlessly if possible, but nonetheless - capitulate - surrender - give up - turn this world and humanity over to us; this is their determined, fanatically pursued, changeless goal.

Without Nuclear War

It is quite evident that they now feel this can be accomplished without nuclear war. Under the blackmail of nuclear war, when surrender has been accomplished, the liquidation of the "unreconstructible" elements of society will begin. What to expect along those lines is clearly revealed in the liquidation of the Kulaks in Russia and the 50 million dead of China in the ten-year period of Internal Chinese Communist peace, 1949 - 1959. And if you are going to understand the Communist mind, you must realize that they don't feel they are being cruel. If there is no God and this is purely a materialistic universe, then man is a piece of matter; animal matter, period!

Communism believes that capitalist environment, sick, diseased, twisted, distorted, has produced sick, diseased, twisted adult animals. Since they are incapable of re-education, reorientation, are unreconstructible, the kindest and best thing for them is to liquidate them, making room for the youths to be brain-washed by the "incubator - environment" of communism; thus to produce the healthy, clean, cooperative, happy animals for the "Golden-Age" of Communism.

It is an insane concoction and conglomeration, but in 43 years it has moved from 40,000 adherents to an enslavement of one billion people, bringing to its victims unheard-of anguish, suffering and torture.

If we are to be really effective spiritual leaders, we must be not only dedicated and consecrated, but we must study; and research this awful thing which threatens to engulf us. (Resource materials and organizations active in the Anti-Communism Crusade will be listed in a Fleet, Force and District letter.)

Submarine Chaplains

by Chaplain Guy Leonard

The Fleet Ballistic Missile submarine USS GEORGE WASHINGTON, SSB(N) 598, was commissioned 30 Dec 1959. The second FBM submarine is scheduled to join the Fleet this year. Significantly, these new ships incorporate all of the major technological advances of the past ten years, among them nuclear propulsion, advanced hydro-dynamic hull design, inertial navigation and the ballistic missile. It is the combination of these factors which makes the FBM submarine the most effective retaliatory weapon in the world. It is also this awesome power that offers a new challenge to the Chaplain Corps.

So vital is the role of these new ships that a Protestant Chaplain, LT Guy M. Leonard, and a Catholic Chaplain, LT John F. Laboon, were assigned as a team to work with the men and their dependents connected with the fleet ballistic missile submarine program.

In order to be available to the crew members of the first two FBM submarines, a chaplain's office has been established on board an APL (Barracks Ship) moored along side the docks of the Electric Boat Company at Groton, Connecticut. This barge houses the office spaces and the messing facilities for GEORGE WASHINGTON and PATRICK HENRY, SSB(N) 599. Future planning calls for a chaplain's office to be established in the new FBM Training Facility at New London, Connecticut.

Submarine Duty

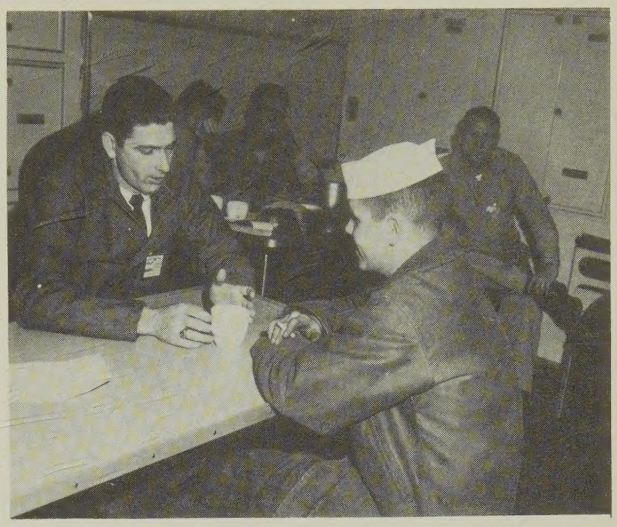
The problems faced by the FBM sailor are basically the same any other Navyman faces. However, they are complicated by several factors. The FBM sailor's housing situation is aggravated by the extensive travelling which he must do before he ever reports to a submarine for duty. Nuclear power personnel must complete nuclear power school and then work at a prototype for six months. Missilemen, torpedomen, and navigation personnel receive their training in Virginia, Florida and California. They often travel for a year before they actually report for duty and then they are often sent to other schools for weeks at a time. Wives and children must often be left in inadequate, sub-standard housing, or if the man attempts to have his family with him there are many transfers for school age children and all the problems connected with frequent moves.

Problems will arise, and some will be aggravated, due to the absence of the husband on patrols. This problem in itself is not new. However, the aggravating factor will be the impossibility for the man on patrol to return to his home for any reason. In order for the FBM submarine to accomplish its mission, it must cruise submerged throughout the length of the patrol. There will be no opportunity for a man to be taken off the submarine. To help meet the problems which exist in housing, and those which will develop when the submarines are on patrol, a Family Assistance Center is being planned and and developed by the team of chaplains. This center will, in fact, be a chaplain's office serving the needs of the FBM sailors and their families. The scope of the chaplain's assistance will be broadened to meet problems which normally require the presence of the Navyman at home.

Religious Program

The religious program for the FBM submarine will be in the hands of Lay Leaders. It is anticipated that chaplains will ride the submarines on patrol from time to time, however, it is unlikely that a chaplain will ever be assigned to a specific submarine for duty.

In order to assist the Lay Leaders, 16-mm. films of sermons, talks, discussions, etc., 35-mm. slides and film strips, tapes, compact kits for setting up worship



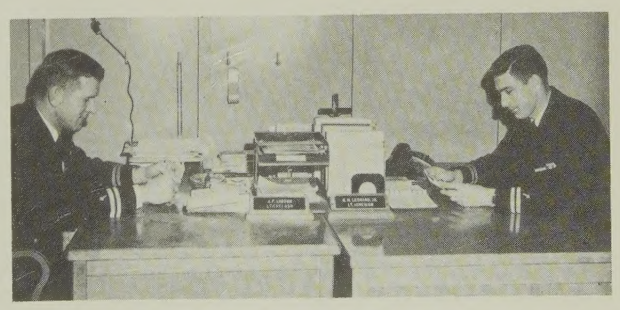
centers, and other items are now being developed and evaluated. In developing equipment for submarines, two basic factors must be considered: First, the access hatches of a submarine are 25 inches in diameter and any equipment larger than 25 inches must be either pliable or it must fold up. Second, every inch of stowage space is utilized and the entire layleaders kit must take only a very small bit of the available stowage space.

The last major area of planning and development is in the field of education. An Information and Education office has been established in connection with the chaplain's office.

Requests for training courses are processed and the completed courses are graded. General educational counseling is available and USAFI applications are processed for interested personnel. A library of USAFI and Training Course manuals has also been established.

In order to offer college courses to interested personnel the chaplains have worked with the Extension Department of Harvard University and with Mitchell College, a junior college in New London, Connecticut.

The FBM program is new. The work of the chaplain is, however, basically the same as in any other assignment; that of being available to minister to the spiritual as well as certain material needs of his people. In this assignment the chaplain serves men who sail a fantastic submarine many fathoms beneath the surface of the seas. Their aim is to meet their needs, whatever and wherever they are.



Chaplain Laboon (left) and Chaplain Leonard work at their desks aboard ship. Administrative duties and paper work are always with us, even in the Chaplain Corps.

JOSEPH

whose interpretation of Pharaoh's dream gained him great power in Egypt, forgave his brothers in spite of their crime against him. So also will God forgive our repented transgressions. "For with the Lord there is steadfast love and with him plentious redemption."

The Guidebook for Naval Reservist

Distribution of The Guidebook for Naval Reserve Chaplains (NavPers 15931) to the District Chaplains has now been completed. Unit Inactive Reserve Chaplains may expect to receive their copies from the District Office. As a companion publication to the Curriculum For Naval Reserve Chaplain Companies (NavPers 92596), the guidebook places in the hands of the reservist a useful tool for the enhancement of his mobilization usefulness.

The guidebook seeks to portray in broad outline the opportunities and responsibilities of reserve chaplains in their support of the reserve program and to render their participation both effective and vital. In keeping with his basic role of a clergyman in uniform, the provision of spiritual, moral and temporal welfare support to members of Naval and Marine Corps Reserve units remains as the reserve chaplain's primary function.

Chaplains Division Telephones

The Defense Department extension may now be reached by adding OXford to the extension numbers. For example, the Chief of Chaplains may be reached by dialing OXford 4-2347. The extensions are as follows:

J	OXford 4-2347	J12	OXford 4-2903
J1a	OXford 4-2348	J122	OXford 4-2934
J1b	OXford 4-2946	J123	OXford 4-2903
J1c	OXford 4-2775	J13	OXford 4-2946
J11	OXford 4-1696	J14	OXford 4-1132

The extensions may be reached as previously through the main exchange LIberty 5-6700. The system is constructed in order that the J11 and J12 phones may be tied to J and J1a in case of the need for a three-way conversation.

CHAPLAINS AND GOOD PHOTOGRAPHY

by Captain N. R. Bacon
Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Photographic Center

Naval photography helps keep the public informed of the morale and welfare of Navy men. To carry out this important mission throughout the Fleet, there are two essentials:

- Naval photography must be technically sound.
- Naval photography must communicate effectively.

In the first area, more than 3000 personnel are trained in the various techniques of naval photography, the use of a multitude of cameras and equipment; the chemistry of film processing and printing; the transmission of photographs for Navy and public use, and their preservation in archives for the use of future generations. That this technical capability does in fact exist and is continuing to increase, is demonstrated by the results the Navy is obtaining from its Fleet-wide photographic efforts in intelligence, research and training.

The second area - that of communications, and specifically, communicating with the general public - takes the Navy photographer into an area that requires more than technical competence. He must know how to take a picture that communicates ideas. This, of course, requires experience and guidance. Here is where the chaplain, with his broad background of experience in human relations, can be of inestimable value.

How can the chaplain help the photographer obtain effective pictures?

First, plan in advance. Before requesting the services of a photographer, determine the type of coverage that will best accomplish the purpose. Ask these five essential questions: WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? WHY? And then ask: HOW? How can I get the job done well? Pave the way by briefing the participants. Contact the right people, so they will be prepared to give full support.

Second, co-operate with your photographer. Get his suggestions. But above all, brief him on your "advance plans," so he'll know what to expect and how to make his own preparations with the film, flash bulbs and cameras he'll want to use. For example, in situations where the large camera and flash bulb are considered in poor taste, the photographer can use a small, unobtrusive camera and natural light to obtain the desired coverage -- if he has the proper advance information. Often restrictions and limitations are imposed that make it difficult for the photographer to obtain good photographs. Sometimes he might feel unwanted and out of place. So try to make him feel at home and relaxed. Inform him of the purpose and importance of his assignment.

Finally, help the photographer get the picture you want. Point out what you want to emphasize; how you best feel the picture should be taken to tell the story. Feel free to suggest camera angles. While the photographer is setting up, be on the alert for proper uniforms, cluttered backgrounds that detract from the subject -- in short, "little things" that can make a big difference in obtaining acceptable, usable photographs. But don't "over-direct" the photographer. Often he will have ideas of his own. Let him shoot it his way; then have him shoot it your way. Pick the best print later.

With respect to this final recommendation -- I would like to emphasize that the photograph should do the job you want it to do, tell the story you want to tell. Any guidance you can give the photographer to accomplish this end will help to assure photographs that communicate the important ideas and concepts so vital to the mission of the Chaplain Corps.

CHAPLAIN SUPPLY NOTES

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* The attention of all chaplains is invited to Para. 3602 b. of the 1959 edition of the Chaplains' Manual which requires that a copy of the periodic audit of chapel funds be forwarded to the Chief of Chaplains.

* Chaplains frequently ask "How do I get the supplies I need?" For those who are ashore, ecclesiastical supplies and equipment may be obtained by consulting BuSandA Manual, Vol. II, Para. 22475 and the Navy Stock List of General Stores, FSC Group 20, 71, 77 and 99.

* Chaplains afloat may obtain ecclesiastical supplies and equipment by following the procedure outlined in BuSandA Manual, Vol. III, Paras. 33225, 33226, 33227 and Navy Stock List of General Stores, FSC Groups 20, 71, 77 and 99.

* To order Forms and Publications (606.I) see NavSandA Publication 2002 of 10 June 1959. (This includes Testaments, Missals, Church Folders, Etc.)

* Additional copies of religious posters may be secured by a memorandum or letter request addressed to the Chief of Naval Personnel (Attention Pers J13), indicating the series, poster number and quantity desired.

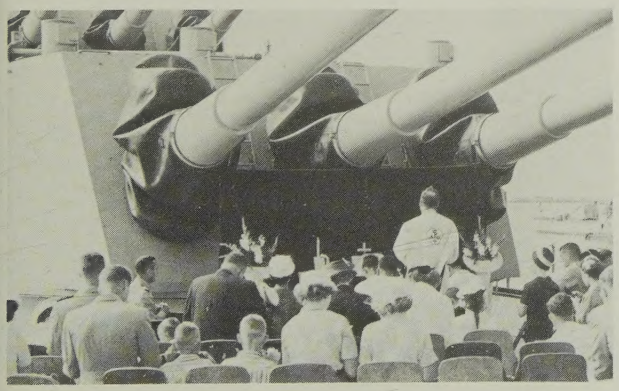
* Chaplains afloat obtain consumable supplies from the Fleet Chaplain while the District Chaplain is the source of supplies for chaplains ashore.

* Wear Ever Aluminum, Incorporated, of New Kensington, Pa., has recently introduced a new line of Protestant and Catholic Altar Appointments made of lightweight alloy aluminum. These are particularly suitable for use in modern chapels. A catalogue and price list may be obtained from the company.

* From time to time requests are submitted for a flag listed in FSC Group 83 Catalogue and described as follows:

FSN No. 8345-262-2404 Flag, Distinguishing, Christian Chapel, MIL-F-2692A QM drawing No. 5-1-29 rayon with fringe.

Some confusion exists in that chaplains occasionally order such a flag under the impression that it is a flag similar to that which is sometimes displayed in civilian churches. The flag described above is a blue flag on which a red cross is superimposed. It is displayed at the altar on the opposite side of the National colors. It comes in one size only 3'x4' and is normally an Army item. It may be used in Navy chapels but it is not to be confused with a flag which is listed in Protestant Church Goods Supply Catalogue.



Catholic Chaplain A. V. Van Beck, USN, celebrates the Mass during Family Worship Day aboard USS ROCHESTER (CA 124). The altar is placed in front of gun mounts.

JOSHUA

following God's direction captured the fortified city of Jericho after its walls collapsed. A difficult task was thereby made easy. When the trials of life appear insurmountable, harken to the words of the psalmist: "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me."

Words, Wit and Wisdom

By William Morris

"Hello, Reverend" and "Good morning, Reverend" are surely two of the most commonly heard greetings in this land of ours--on Sunday mornings, at any rate. And every clergyman, no matter how long he has served, groans inwardly when he hears either phrase.

Why? Simply because the word "Reverend" is not a title and cannot be correctly used as a form of address. "Reverend" is an adjective meaning "worthy of reverence." It is no more a title than "Honorable" prefixed to a public servant's name--and surely no one would think of calling New York's Mayor "Honorable Wagner" or greeting him with "Good morning Honorable!"

The word "Reverend" may, of course, be used when addressing a letter to a clergyman, and here again you'll avoid trouble if you keep in mind that the word is an adjective--not a title. So say "The Reverend Thomas Smith," never simply "Reverend Thomas Smith." And when speaking to a clergyman, call him "Doctor" Smith if he has his doctor's degree: otherwise simply "Mr. Smith."

There's a saying that the word reverend occurs only once in the Bible when, in Psalms CXI:9 appears: "... and reverend is His name." Note that it is used correctly as an adjective, not as a title.

If everyone would remember this simple fact, the lot of our clergymen would be a happier one. At long last they could forget the doggerel verse which long has haunted divinity school campuses, the one which ends:

You may call me "pal"; you may call me "friend"
But please don't call me "Reverend!"

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OKINAWA

Chaplain Herman J. Schnurr of the Third Marine Division, Okinawa, visits with some of the men during a field problem rest period. The men are dressed in combat clothing and wear camouflage helmets and heavy ammunition belts.

ROTA

The Parroco of Rota, D. Juan Luengo, shows 15th century vestments to Chaplain Francis P. Adams, CHC, USN.

LONDON

CAPT John Oseth, CDR, USN, U.S. Naval Activities, London, presents a $250 check to Pilgrim Fathers Memorial Church.

NICE

Chaplain M.S. Ernstmeyer of USS DES MOINES (CA 134) helps a child from an orphanage to be fitted with shoes.

NORFOLK

Prior to deployment of USS FORRESTAL to the Sixth Fleet, eighty clergymen from the Norfolk area were welcomed aboard.

PLAINS THE WORLD

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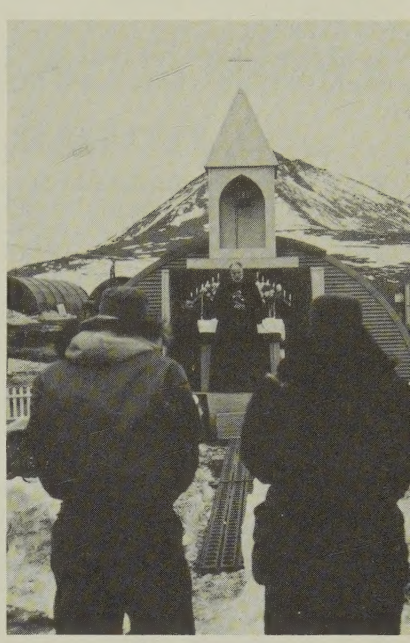


Chaplain Edwin R. Weidler, CHC, USN, conducts a memorial service for Paul O'Leary, EOC, USN, in front of the Chapel at McMurdo Sound in the Antarctic. The Chapel is a Quonset hut with a wide entrance and has a minature steeple.

ONDON

lain John M. Kleckner, Protestant Chaplain, U. S. t Guard Academy discusses books in the Religious ing Room with members of the Chapel Committee.

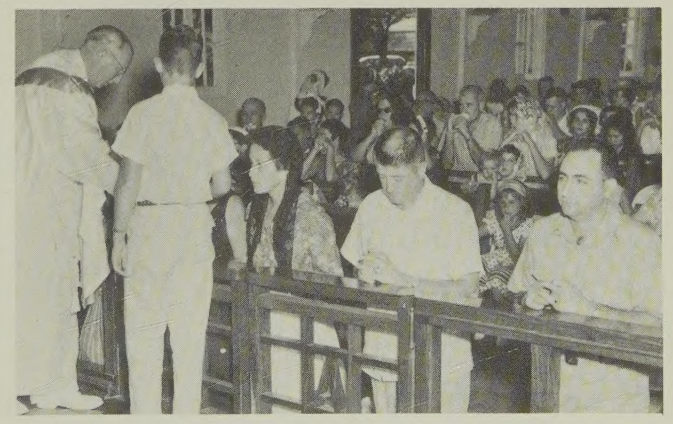
ANNAPOLIS

Chaplain Fred D. Bennett, Protestant Chaplain, U. S. Naval Academy, with three of his midshipmen acolytes, is shown preparing for the Sunday Communion Service.

SUKA

ain Raymond C. Hohenstein talks with graduates of s' School at a reception given by the Catholic and stant Women's Guilds following their graduation.

SUBIC BAY



Chaplain Niles T. Welch, Catholic Chaplain at U.S. Naval Station, Subic Bay Philippines is shown performing a priest's primary mission, celebrating Holy Communion.

The Chief of Chaplains notes that...

✸ The Jewish Chapel at the Naval Station, Norfolk, Virginia, was named on 13 Dec 1959 after Commodore Uriah Phillips Levy of the Jewish faith. The Chapel was completely redecorated.

✸ Many chaplains who served during World War II have leading positions in the ministry today. Former Chaplain Wm Sanford La Sor has just written an excellent book, Great Personalities of the Old Testament, Their Lives and Times.

✸ The American Vocational Association passed a formal resolution of appreciation for the singing of the Blue Jackets Choir, Great Lakes, administered by Chaplain Oscar Weber. This choir is making a fine contribution to building good will and it is keeping its religious orientation.

✸ Chaplain Hal R. Sessions' Commanding Officer wrote a letter of thanks for his Chaplains Column. The Commanding Officer said: "They have been a challenge to me and, I admit, I've been late reading a few of them in spite of my good intention to take each one as my first daily function in the office."

✸ Sixth Fleet ships, such as USS SARATOGA (CVA 60) have entertained the orphans at Casa Materna Home in Naples. SARATOGA's choir sang for the children.

✸ Chaplain John Fay was awarded the decoration, PRO ECCLESIAM ET PONTIFIX, by His Holiness, Pope John XXIII. The presentation was made in Naples by the Cardinal Castaldo.

✸ Chaplain A. M. Oliver, USS FORRESTAL (CVA 59) prepared a letter for the signature of the Commanding Officer to the next of kin of all ships company. It makes clear the mission of the ship and the concern of the Navy for the welfare of all personnel aboard.

✸ There has been a new emphasis in training Reserve chaplains this year. Two seminars (14 days) were held in Norfolk and San Diego for only LT(jg)'s and LT's. They were very successful chaplain schools in miniature. Very few had previous active duty. Forty-five chaplains attended in Norfolk and eighteen in San Diego.

✸ The U.S. Naval Air Station at Memphis held a dedication service of the Armed Forces Hymnal. Dr. David H. Jones, Music Editor, Princeton Theological Seminary, was pleased to receive from the chaplains the dedication material.

✸ A German sailor, Werner Schulze, PO3, in training aboard USS ROOKS (DD 804), offered the ship's evening prayers in German over the address system. This was done on the National Day of Prayer held annually in Germany.

✸ Chaplains D. F. Stewart, Jr. and R. L. Crabtree led a Family Worship Sunday program prior to the deployment of USS HELENA (CA 75) for WESTPAC.

✸ Chaplain G. M. Hinderer assisted in the shipment of 16,000 pounds of Church World Service clothing, shoes, and household goods via USS TANNER (AGS 15).

✸ The Chapel of Hope, Yokosuka, Japan, responded to the tragic burning of the Kinagasa Hospital where over sixteen patients lost their lives. For many years Chapel Funds have been used to support the hospital.

✸ The fourth annual NATO Naval Chaplains Conference will be held in London 23-29 April.

✸ CBS Films Inc. said that the new film, "The Navy Goes to Church" MN 8751-A (Thine is the Power) is "an exceptional and professionally done presentation of an important but little known responsibility which the Navy discharges so well. It is not only thought provoking but possesses the basic ingredient of audience appeal which is certain to assure its success. You will, I am sure, find that the great majority of television stations across the country will welcome "The Navy Goes to Church" as part of their public servicing programing." Chaplains are urged to make contacts with program directors of television stations.

RUTH

is a prime example of filial devotion. After her husband's death, refusing to leave her mother-in-law, she returned with her to a strange country where God rewarded her with a happy and prosperous marriage. Her words summarize her faithfulness: "Your people shall be my people, and your God my God."

Clergy Day on Forrestal

Approximately 80 Norfolk area ministers were guests aboard USS Forrestal (CVA 59) Wednesday, December 2, during Protestant Clergy Day, another Forrestal First scored by the giant warship as the first Naval vessel to play host to a group of ministers in this area.

The clergymen were welcomed aboard by Captain S. R. Brown, Jr., Commanding Officer, and Commander L. E. Satterfield, Executive Officer. In greeting the ministers, Captain Brown pointed out that the carrier is manned by "4,000 souls and has the same problems of a community size."

Following the welcome the clergymen were conducted on an extensive two-hour tour of USS Forrestal. The tour took them from a condenser plant in the very depths of the ship to the Flag Bridge high up in the island structure.

During the tour, the ministers constantly expressed their amazement at Forrestal's size and its modern machinery. I've never seen so much equipment," one minister commented. Another, coming suddenly upon one of Forrestal's moving stairways gasped, "Good grief," in amazement.

The tour was climaxed by the showing of the film, The Navy Goes to Church," over WFOR-TV, Forrestal's closed circuit TV station.

After lunch with the crew, the clergymen returned to Norfolk, having gained a clearer understanding of the mission and capabilities of the attack carrier as well as a sharp picture of Navy life.

WHAT OUR RETIRED CHAPLAINS ARE DOING

A letter was sent to all Captains and Admirals, retired regular chaplains with a copy deadline. Here are the interesting responses.--- Editor.

Questions asked:

1. If employed what is the nature of your position?
2. How do you fill your days? Hobbies, sports, reading etc.
3. Any comments you wish to make to present active duty chaplains or words of wisdom coming out of your years of experience.

The questions are answered below each picture.

Captain Ernest L. Ackiss, CHC, USN (Ret.), 322 North Colonial Homes Circle, N. W., Atlanta 9, Georgia

Secretary, Military Personnel Ministries, Chaplains Commission, Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention...Assists pastors and churches in meeting spiritual needs of service-obligated, service-connected, and post-service young people and dependents; enlists military personnel and dependents in church life and program; encourages military personnel to be "good soldiers of Jesus Christ" wherever on duty; creates needed literature

Travel; speaking; writing; reading; relevant to my work.

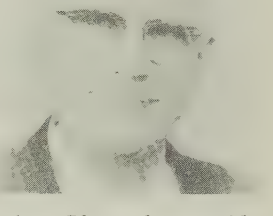
The importance of (a) the Navy's Moral Leadership Program, and (b) a strong, thoroughgoing religious program by our chaplains can hardly be overestimated.

Captain Wm W. Elder, CHC, USN (Ret.), Concord, Georgia

Upon my retirement I became the pastor of the Lanett, Alabama, Congregational Christian Church which I served for two and one half years. In June 1951 I became the pastor of the Congregational Church at Woodbury, Ga., where I still serve.

In addition to my church work, and having acquired a little property, I spend a considerable time with hammer and saw, pick and shovel. I play golf occasionally; do some reading and some travel. When the weather is hot I sit under the shade of a big tree on the river bank and watch the world go by.

From my experience, I would say that the way the Chaplain handles his own personal life is more important than what he has to say in his sermons on Sunday morning.



Captain John E. Johnson, CHC, USN (Ret.), 101 Parson's Lane, Bayside, Va.

Minister, Bayside Presbyterian Church, Bayside, Virginia, one mile from the U. S. Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, a fourth of a mile from the Thoroughgood Estate, Princess Anne County, one of the most rapidly growing counties in the country.

Sermon preparation and parish work.

Assuming we are all consecrated to God and to Christ, there is no substitute for dedication to the task; and there is no greater reward.

Captain Clinton A. Neyman, CHC, USN (Ret.), 3783 Roxton Avenue, Los Angeles 18, California

Since November 1948, University Chaplain and Professor of Religion, University of Southern California, Los-Angeles, California. Will retire in the summer of 1960. Two years (1956-1958) served, additionally, as Acting Dean of Students.

Hobbies, sports, reading, etc. Trying to do the job described above, in addition to several board and committee assignments in the Area and Regional general and student YMCA. Hobbies are woodworking in my Do-It-Yourself Shop, attending dog shows and keeping records of Shetland Sheepdogs in the U. S. The golf clubs haven't been used for more than two years; but will be after my next retirement.

Only to reaffirm my vow to keep my fingers out of Navy Chaplains' affairs, since the Navy has moved on to a point where I no longer profess to know what it now is, and the Chaplain Corps seems to be doing things in its present status and acceptance which were beyond the powers and abilities of folks like myself who once served happily in it.

Captain H. Grady Gatlin, CHC, USN (Ret.) 8625 Irvington Ave., Bethesda 14, Md.

Have done quite a bit of pulpit supplying.

Gardening: flowers and vegetables. I read extensively - during past year have read 114 books. Specialized in the Dead Sea Scrolls, History, Growth and Development of Civilization, Comparative Religions and the Apocalypse. In addition to the above have done a lot of miscellaneous reading.

Wisdom is more evasive than knowledge and is much harder to possess. I hope eventually to have just a little wisdom

Captain Emil H. Groth, CHC, USN (Ret.), P.O. Box 302 La Mesa, California

In describing my life since retirement the best way would be to say that I retired completely and began an entirely different way of living.

Mainly, I do very much reading, four newspapers a day, practically all non-fiction magazines and of course books. Living very quietly I am able to do this and still wish there were more good books. I also enjoy my Hi-Fi Set. Classical music and classical records. So far as T.V. is concerned I only look at special events - football and baseball, in both of which I take a vital interest. As for outdoor sports, I enjoy fresh water fishing, generally making two trips a year to the Colorado River in nearby Arizona.

I feel it would be presumptuous of me to give any words of advice to our present day chaplains, mainly because Service conditions today are so much different from those of my time.

Captain Joseph H. Brooks, CHC, USN (Ret.), 531 Warrior Trail, Jackson 6, Miss.

Not employed.

Gardening: Have Camellia greenhouse - Past President, Jackson Camellia Society. Show Chairman two years, Jackson Camellia Show. Woodworking: Have basement hobby shop and make furniture, etc. (not for sale)

Captain Joseph P. Mannion, CHC, USN (Ret.), St. Charles Church, 735 Thompson Ave. Donora, Pennsylvania

If employed?? This is the workingest retirement I've ever heard of.

Five hundred and eighty-nine families in this parish - a ten-room elementary school - church, convent, reactory. Have a top notch assistant who could qualify for JIs! Two daily Masses, Five Sunday Masses, evening devotions, numerous phone and rectory calls. Visitation of sick every other day. This steel town is built on the side of a steep hill at a bend in the Monongahela River and why more people around here do not drop dead of heart attacks is a mystery, indeed.

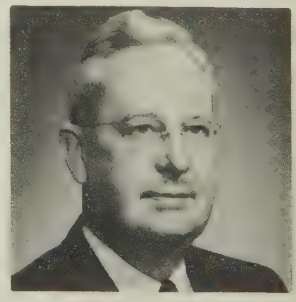
Try to get in a round of golf every week - weather permitting. Coaching our 8th grade basketball team; meet with the various parish organizations every month; Chaplain to the Catholic Boys Clubs of Donora as well as to the Catholic Women's College Club of the Monongahela Valley.

Captain George L. Markle, CHC, USN (Ret.), Route 3, Box 286, Carmel, Calif.

Not regularly employed. Serve as Supply pastor frequently as requested or needed. Had one church for 13 months.

My days are occupied with yard and garden work, sawing wood, etc. Fish and golf occasionally. Take interest in community work.

No pearls of wisdom. Hope and pray that the Corps will keep up the high standard of efficiency and service for which it is currently known.

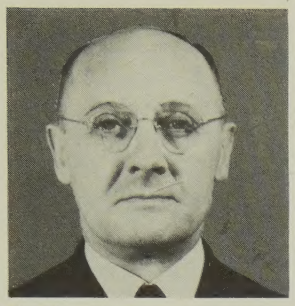


Captain John P. Forsander, CHC, USN (Ret.), 2618 N. Freeman Lane Santa Ana, California

Associated with the Westminister Memorial Park Cemetery and Mortuary as Chaplain, Assistant to the Director and Public Relations. Served for three years as Minister of Visitation with the First Baptist Church, Santa Ana, California.

Working.

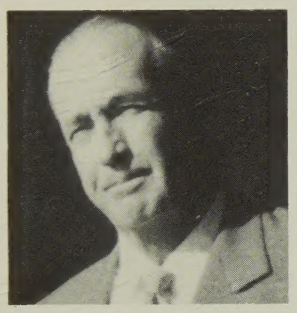
Plan your future while still on active duty to do the thing you want to do when you retire or leave the Navy. Make your location and contact if possible.



Captain Herbert Dumstrey, CHC, USN (Ret.), 1223 N. Fairwater Drive, Norfolk 8, Virginia

Spasmodic - This is the fourth church I am supplying during vacancies. They are calling me a United Church of Christ Presbyterian. These in between hitches have lasted anywhere from six months to more than a year. This is my fifth month here and there are no signs in the immediate future of obtaining a permanent pastor. This keeps me mentally and spiritually active without too much strain on an old arthritic rheumatic duffer.

These physical defects eliminate golf but I get plenty of exercise in my garden. Had beautiful roses all summer and now numerous camellias are in bloom. Winter rye grass on the lawn grows fast and yesterday had to mow it, and kept busy reading sermonizing, visiting parishioners and sick.

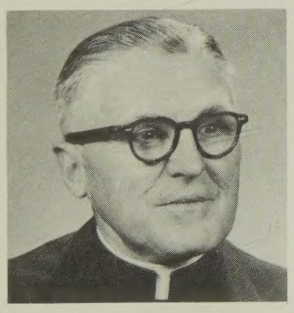


RADM Alvo O. Martin, CHC, USN (Ret.), 5861 Anderson Road, Forestville, Calif.

Supply preaching, teaching Sunday School class, have a two-acre fruit farm in California and raising blueberries by the ton in Maine.

I sometimes wonder myself but they fly by.

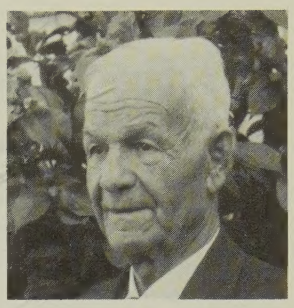
Retirement is not a rest period.



Captain Frederick Meehling, CHC, USN (Ret.), 3680 Park Boulevard, San Diego 3, Calif.

If and when I am in town, I help out at the various Naval Installations and local parishes. Just finished a two-month stint at Blessed Sacrament Church here.

I travel a lot, having made two trips to Japan on the USNS Sultan and USNS Gaffey in March and June. In July I spent a week in Mexico City, Puebla and Guadalajara (where I met the one and only Mexican Cardinal. January 22 I sail from New York as Chaplain on the Britannic on her annual All Mediterranean Cruise (this is a return engagement) which ends March 21 in Southhampton, then I will be on my own with a week in Paris and Lourdes, three weeks in Spain (Easter in Seville) then Rome, Innsbruck (my Alma Mater) Oberammergau, Heidelberg, Cologne, London and home June 2 on Queen Elizabeth. It's a great life. All the sugar is in the bottom of the cup.



Captain Razzie W. Truitt, CHC, USN (Ret.), 1233 Brewster Drive, El Cerrito, California

My time is full of pleasant tasks. None of my employment brings in "Pay Checks."

Bay fishing, gardening, workshop and reading.

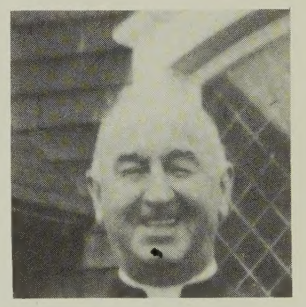
I am still convinced that the Navy Chaplaincy offers a field equal to none for Christian Service.

Captain A. de Groot Vogler, CHC, USN (Ret.), 2562 Albatross Street, San Diego 1, California

None.

Some golf, a great deal of reading; history, biography, better fiction, Time; Saturday Review, Changing Times, S.E.P., etc. Keeping in touch with friends and former shipmates - Making an effort to grow old gracefully!

From my few contacts with the Corps these days I think they are as fine a group as there has ever been in the Navy and certainly could not possibly offer any but the most favorable comments on their personality and work.



Captain Joseph T. Casey, CHC, USN (Ret.), 751 Main Street, Bay Head, N.J.

Pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, Bay Head, New Jersey, which includes Mantoloking, New Jersey.

This parish is one of the fringe of the new Suburbia; Ocean County being rated the fastest growing county in New Jersey. During the six years since I came here we have had to enlarge the church from 16 to 29 pews at a cost of $71,000. We have also just finished a new Parish auditorium at a cost of $130,000. This makes possible our having ten Masses during the summer months.

I am a member of the Board of Governors of Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch; and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board. I am also a member of the Monmouth Park Charity Fund; and past President and present special counsellor of the Legal Aid Society of Monmouth County; a member and chaplain of both the Monmouth Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars and the Central New Jersey Branch of the Retired Officers Association.

Captain Thomas Thompson, CHC, USN (Ret.), 6274 Fourth Avenue, S., St. Petersburg, Florida.

Employed after retirement 1946 - 1957, in two ways - 1. Chaplain of Admiral Farragut Academy, St. Petersburg, Florida 1947 - 1953. 2. Minister of the Glen Oak Community Chapel in St. Petersburg, Florida, 1947 - 1957. Not employed now.

I do some calling: On chapel members, on hospital patients and on members of a fraternal order. I conduct some funerals. My hobby is looking after my home: the house and grounds. I also do some traveling in the summer time. I do some swimming. Should read more but do not seem to have time.

As hospital work and Navy Relief were important side lines to preaching and office interviews in the Navy I hope we all learned to be humble, to listen, to help - to do something to change conditions for the better and serve God through the channels of a Navy Chaplain. We have a wonderful country, and I have always regarded it as an honor, to give my life for it, if necessary, in the performance of any duty required to preserve it, and pass it on to posterity as an active unit for God and His Kingdom in the world.

GIDEON

who with a handful of men destroyed the camp of the Midianites, showed what could be accomplished with God's help. No matter how meager our means or deep our shortcomings, with heavenly grace and assistance we can work wonders. "Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth."

Captain Charles A. Dittmar CHC, USN (Ret.), 504 G Street, Cheney, Washington

I remarried in 1955 - a few months prior to retiring. Minister of Congregational Church, Cheney, Washington having 300 members. In Cheney is located Eastern Washington College - 2100 students.

As minister here I have a full time job. Hobbies are gardening, leather craft and metal work. Golf in the high 80's. Living and working in a small college town not only fills but crowds each day.

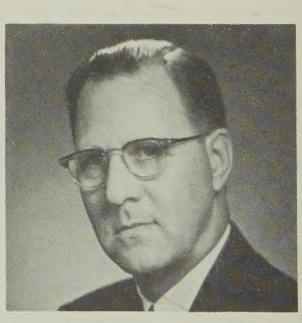
Following retirement, a planned period of study and travel in Europe for two years simplified the transition from active duty to retired status.

RADM Stanton W. Salisbury, CHC, USN (Ret.), "White Sands," 7450 Olivetas Ave. La Jolla, California

West Coast Consultant for the Department of Chaplains and Service Personnel of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

Reading, writing, and serving in several capacities in the "White Sands" Resident Association. This is a cross roads of the Navy and we enjoy seeing old shipmates as they pass through.

Keep the flag flying and keep the faith.



Captain Frank R. Hamilton, CHC, USN (Ret.), 5400 Coburn Crescent, Norfolk 9 Virginia

Minister, The Christian Temple (Congregational), Norfolk, Virginia.

Working. The administration of the parish, visitations, sermon preparation consume the time. Also serve in the city as President of Ministerial Association, President of Salvation Army, Vice-Chairman, Educational Committee, Chamber of Commerce - on Mayor's Youth Commission, and Social Agencies Committee on Aging.

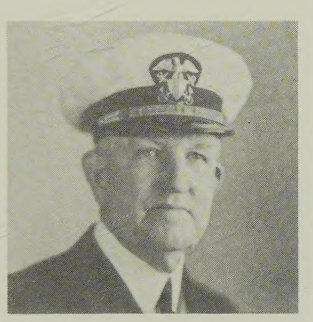
The civilian pastorate is a thrilling and challenging career for which the chaplaincy is an excellent preparation. Believe the reverse would be so, also. A pastorate would be a valuable preparation for the chaplaincy as a career.

RADM Wm N. Thomas, CHC, USN (Ret.), The Pilot House, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

Preaching in various churches, speaking at schools, colleges, civic groups and men's clubs. President, Haywood County Ministers Association; Chairman County Welfare Board. Member Board of Trustees, Lake Junaluska Assembly, General Commission on Chaplains and Methodist Commission on Chaplains.

Woodworking shop, golf and yard work when I cannot get out of it. Reading mostly in religion, history and current affairs.

My congratulations to active duty chaplains on high standard of their work. Advice - Dedicate your energies to being a chaplain in precept and example. Some one else can do all the other jobs in the Navy. You only can do the work accepted in proportion to your personal standard of living as a clergyman who is consecrated to do his calling.



Captain B. F. Huske, CHC, USN (Ret.), 108 Hillside Ave. Fayetteville, North Carolina

No employment.

Reading.

Captain William W. Edel, CHC, USN (Ret.), 7 Neapolitan Lane, W. Long Beach 3, California

Immediately upon retirement from the Navy, he was elected the 22d President of Dickinson College 1946 - 1959. He helped organize the Foundation for Independent Colleges of Pennsylvania and is the Past President of that Organization. In 1949 he was sent to Israel for an official tour. In 1951 he journeyed to Carlisle, England and traveled for weeks in the British Isles While there he was presented to Princess Margaret. In 1952 he was made an Honorary Freeman of the City of Carlisle, England, the first American citizen since Woodrow Wilson to be so honored. In 1958 he was appointed an exchange preacher by the National Council of Churches and occupied pulpits in Great Britain and Ireland. In summer of 1959 he and Mrs. Edel served as ambassadors to Carlisle, England's 800th Anniversary of the granting of the Royal Charter to the City. (Taken from citation booklet honoring Chaplain Edel.)

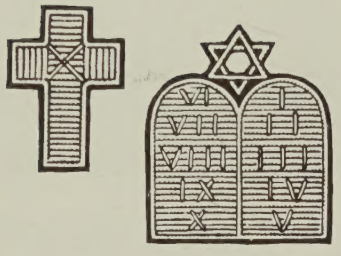
Portrait painting, writing and preaching.

SAMSON

using God's gift of strength was a mainstay to his people in time of oppression. Our slightest talent, when used with God's assistance, can accomplish wonders. "Behold, God is my helper, the Lord is the upholder of my life."

SAMUEL

a prophet, accomplished much for Israel because of his devotion to God and Israel's welfare. Devotion to duty or a cause can raise our accomplishments beyond those of the average man. "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."



. . . I have been asked why we often say Moral Leadership where others expect us to say Command Leadership, Military Leadership, or Managerial Leadership.

. . . The difference between the two kinds of leaders lies in the fact that one type was moved by ruthless, selfish and deceitful desires to aggrandize himself and his lieutenants at the expense of all mankind outside of their group of followers. Members of the latter group, on the other hand, used their leadership qualities to move men toward a greater sense of responsibility, honor, dignity and self-respect, to the end that, for all men, the world might be a better place to live in.

. . . Leadership—Naval Leadership—is nothing, therefore, unless it be Moral Leadership, and only by stressing this most important attribute of Leadership can we make all hands aware that Leadership has high and noble objectives toward which all may strive, and in the striving, make the Navy a better instrument to accomplish the aims of our nation's policy.

Honorable Richard Jackson
Assistant Secretary of the Navy
(Personnel and Reserve Forces)

. . . First and foremost the naval leader must possess integrity. He must be honest, with himself and with others. He must cherish the right, and despise wrong. He must act for what is morally right. He must have principles, and he must live by them.

Just as our national principles of freedom and liberty guide this nation, and have done so since the beginning, so personal principles guide a man.

But principles need more than lip service, or passive belief. A man, to be a man, must live by his principles, act on them, and be ready to fight for them.

Admiral Arleigh Burke
Chief of Naval Operations